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THE NEWEST TANKOUBON, VOLUME 7, IS SELLING TO GREAT REVIEWS!

落第騎士の英雄譚
キャバルリィ
A TALE OF WORST ONE

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A MOMENT OF REST, WITH YOU—

Chapter 32: **ENTRUSTED FEELINGS**

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◆AFTER THE PREVIOUS BATTLE, THE REPRESENTATIVE CONTENDERS HAVE ASSEMBLED!

NOW THEN,

WE BEGIN THE SEVEN STARS SWORD-ART FESTIVAL APPOINTMENT CEREMONY.

FIRST-YEAR A-RANK, STELLA VERMILLION.

THIRD-YEAR D-RANK, BOTAN HAGURE.

THIRD-YEAR C-RANK, KIKYOU HAGURE.

THIRD-YEAR B-RANK, KANATA TOUTOKU-BARA.

FIRST-YEAR D-RANK NAGI ARISUIN... IS ABSENT DUE TO OTHER BUSINESS.

AND...

FIRST-YEAR F-RANK, IKKI KUROGANE.

THESE SIX ARE OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED

AS OUR HAGUN ACADEMY REPRESENTA-TIVES TO THE SEVEN STARS SWORD-ART FESTIVAL!

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Clap
IN THAT TIME, THE UPROAR OVER THE SCANDAL OF ME AND STELLA CAME TO AN END.
WHEN STELLA'S FATHER, THE KING OF VERMILLION, HEARD THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT LED UP TO IT, AS WELL AS THE OUTCOME—
Clap
Clap
IT'S BEEN ONE WEEK SINCE THE DUEL.
I'VE BEEN ASLEEP BECAUSE OF THE BACKLASH FROM ITTOU RASETSU.

...ANY PARENT WITH CHILDREN WOULD AGREE.

SWALLOWING UP CHILDREN IN THE AFFAIRS OF ADULTS IS UTTERLY DISTASTEFUL.

—HE DECLARED A STRONG DIS-PLEASURE.

MY JUDGMENT WILL BE DEFERRED UNTIL THEN.

ALSO, IKKI KUROGANE WILL COME TO VERMILLION AFTER THE SEVEN STARS SWORD-ART FESTIVAL ENDS.

AND AFTER AKAZA LOST HIS STANDING, THERE WAS NO ONE WILLING TO QUESTION MY ETHICS AS A KNIGHT.

AT THOSE WORDS, EVEN THE MEDIA FELL SILENT.

BEING LOOKED AT LIKE THIS...

I'M NOT USED TO IT, HUH...?

AT ANY RATE...

NEXT, WE WILL PRESENT THE CAPTAIN OF THE REPRESENTATIVES.

THE ONE WHOSE NAME IS CALLED, STEP FORWARD.

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I'D LIKE TO GET DOWN FROM THE STAGE QUICKLY IF I CAN...

FIRST-YEAR F-RANK IKKI KUROGANE.

OUR CAPTAIN WILL BE

...WHA?

IS THERE ANY QUESTION ABOUT IT?

I'M... CAPTAIN ...?

WH- WHY...

THAT

IS WHAT EVERYONE HERE BELIEVES.

"HUNTER", "RUNNER'S HIGH",

EVEN "RAIKIRI".

WITH YOU BLOWING PAST THE FRONT-RUNNERS ONE AFTER ANOTHER, THERE'S NOBODY SUITABLE LEFT FOR US TO PICK.

TO CONTINUE, THE TEAM CAPTAIN WILL RECEIVE THE SCHOOL FLAG.

AH

Y-YES!

HA!!

NOW WOULD YOU GET UP HERE?

STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOUDOU...

IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU BACK IN HEALTH.

WE... HAVEN'T SPOKEN SINCE THE MATCH, HAVE WE?

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THIS SCHOOL FLAG IS THE ONE I CARRIED AS TEAM CAPTAIN LAST YEAR.

SO I ASKED THE TEACHERS

TO LET ME BE THE ONE TO PASS IT ON.

I THOUGHT I WOULD HAVE IT AGAIN THIS YEAR,

BUT I LOST TO YOU, KURO-GANE-KUN.

I CHALLENGED HER WITH ALL MY STRENGTH IN A FIGHT THAT WAS TAINTED BY DIRTY AMBITIONS...

HOW SHOULD I RESPOND TO THAT...?

TO THIS PROUD KNIGHT...

WHAT CAN I SAY...

THAT'S RIGHT... I SHOULD THANK...

TOUDOU... -SAN.

GAVE IT ALL I HAD BECAUSE YOU WERE THE OPPONENT.

I...

IF IT HADN'T BEEN YOU...

I HAD TO BEAT YOU.

THAT POWER WAS BECAUSE...

I WOULD'VE ...

KUROGANE-KUN.

IKKI KUROGANE-KUN.

TO WIN IS TO TAKE RESPON-SIBILITY.

TO INHERIT THE WISHES

OF THOSE WHO LOST.

WHO WANTED TO BE REPRESEN-TATIVES, BUT COULDN'T MAKE IT.

IN THIS FLAG ARE THE FEELINGS AND DESIRES OF MANY PEOPLE

SO PLEASE, CARRY THIS FLAG, AND ALL OF US WITH IT

...THESE AREN'T JUST WORDS.

TO THE SUMMIT OF THE SEVEN STARS.

I CHALLENGED THIS PERSON WITH ALL MY STRENGTH...

EVEN SO, THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO SATISFY ALL OF THE KNIGHTS WHOSE DREAMS DIDN'T COME TRUE.

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THAT MEANS...

I, WHO WON THROUGH TO STAND HERE NOW—

I PROMISE

ABSO-LUTELY.

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WE'LL DEFINITELY CHEER YOU ON!

DO YOUR BEST, CAPTAIN!

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YOU BEAT THE PREZ! THAT MEANS YOU REPRE-SENT ALL OF US!

IKKI-KUN, GOOD LUCK!

CROWN-LESS SWORD KING—!

DON'T LOSE!

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WHAT?

STELLA...

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Clap

Clap

Clap

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WHO NEVER RECEIVED GOODWILL... AND FIGURED WOULD NEVER GET ANY.

I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE FINE LIKE THAT.

I WAS... SOMEONE WHO NOBODY THOUGHT AS WORTH-WHILE.

BUT

BEING RECOGNIZED FEELS SURPRISINGLY NICE, DOESN'T IT?

...YEAH!

THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT THAT. THE LAST TWO HAD BAD LUCK IN THE SELECTION LOTTERY.

IT WAS QUITE INEXPECTED THAT RAIKIRI, RUNNER'S HIGH, AND EVEN LORELEI WEREN'T CHOSEN, BUT ..

HAHA HA

SO HAGUN'S ROSTER HAS BEEN SET, YES?

IF THEY LOST BECAUSE OF THE LOTTERY THEN THAT'S JUST THE LEVEL OF KNIGHT THEY WERE...

WELL, LUCK IS ITS OWN KIND OF STRENGTH.

IT DOESN'T MATTER, YOU KNOW.

IF IT WERE OUMA-KUN, WOULD WE BE SAYING ANYTHING LIKE THIS?

YES, THERE WERE NO PRO-BLEMS.

THOUGH WE DIDN'T PREDICT THAT LORELEI WOULD FALL,

IS EVERYTHING READY ON YOUR END?

HOW COLD OF YOU. WELL, ANYWAY.

WE CAN KILL HER AT ANY TIME.

THIS MEANS THAT THE PREPA-RATIONS FOR THE FESTIVAL EVE ARE NOW COMPLETE.

HAHAHA, AS EXPECTED FOR

A MASTER OF MODERN-DAY ASSASSI-NATION.

EVERYONE THINKS THAT ALL OF THE ACTORS ARE ALREADY ON STAGE.

THE LEAD ACTOR HASN'T MADE AN ENTRANCE YET.

BUT THAT'S WRONG.

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SO **WE** HAVE TO LET EVERYONE KNOW, BY STEPPING ONTO THE STAGE BEFORE THE CURTAIN RISES.

BUNKYOKU ACADEMY

REISEN HIRAGA

DONROU ACADEMY

YUI TATARA

KYOMON ACADEMY

AMANE SHINOMIYA

ROKUZON ACADEMY SARA BLOODLILY

RENTEI ACADEMY RINNA KAZAMATSURI

BUKYOKU ACADEMY OUMA KUROGANE

AFTER ALL,

NAGI ARI-SUIN OF HAGUN ACADEMY,

THE LEAD ROLE IN THIS YEAR'S SWORD-ART FESTIVAL WILL BELONG TO US, **AKATSUKI.** WON'T IT?

TO BE CONTINUED 12/1

NEXT TIME, RUSHING INTO A NEW CHAPTER—